



INFORMATION SHEET

EXOTIC MUSHROOM GROWING TRIALS

CALU is conducting a study into the feasibility of growing various types of exotic mushrooms in Wales.

Some of the mushrooms are being grown on composted woodchip: The woodchip was sourced locally, used as livestock bedding and then composted. CALU's project is looking to see whether the composted woodchip is a suitable medium for growing exotic mushrooms in.

Growing systems under trial

- Indoor woodchip beds
- Outdoor woodchip beds
- Raised beds (made of larch logs)
- Drilled logs – indoors
- Drilled logs – outdoors
- Alternative substrates – e.g. Miscanthus, bark peelings

The raised beds are filled with woodchip compost and then inoculated with spores of native fungi species.

SPECIES UNDER TRIAL



Cinnamon Cap



Cauliflower Mushroom



Oyster



King Stropharia



Parasol



Morel

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